

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

On page 8, please amend the paragraph beginning with "Sweeping" as follows:

-- Sweeping-belt frame 19 is mounted pivotally around axis 20 on outer portion 13 of frame 10, in such a way that sweeping-belt frame 19 can be pivoted around axis 20 both toward the front (arrow B) and toward the rear (arrow C). By means of a spring device 30, ~~which is not illustrated~~ the sweeping-belt frame is held by initial force in its position which corresponds to the maximum working width, and which as illustrated in the drawing extends perpendicular to working direction A. From this position, sweeping unit 11 can be pivoted both toward the front (arrow B) and toward the rear (arrow C), against a restoring force exerted by the said spring device 30. --

On page 9, please amend the paragraph beginning "Since" through the paragraph bridging pages 9-10 as follows:

-- ~~Since the type of drive for sweeping belt 15 is not pertinent in connection with the present invention, a diagram thereof is not necessary.~~ The drive unit 31 for sweeping belt 15 can be designed in any way known to one of ordinary skill in the art as such, especially by means of a separate motor disposed on sweeping-belt frame 19, and also by transmission from a central drive by means of a conventional transmission device or by means of a hydraulic or pneumatic type as shown in Fig. 1. Similarly, such a central drive can be a motor as well as a frictional wheel driven by the motion of the sweeping machine.

At the front end of undercarriage 1 there is disposed a proximity sensor 22. This responds as soon as the sweeping machine has been guided so close to a wall, step or the like that the front strand of sweeping device 11 is sweeping directly at the wall or step. In this case proximity switch 22 acts on a drive unit 31, ~~which is not illustrated, but~~ which displaces sweeping unit 11 linearly toward the inside (arrow D). In this way, the strip between the front wall of the sweeping machine and the opposite wall or step is also swept. --